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Art Unit	2616
Examiner Name	Justin M. Philpott
Attorney Docket Number	3239P071

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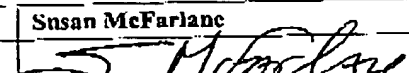
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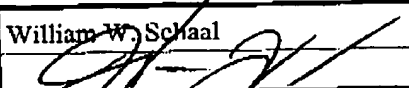
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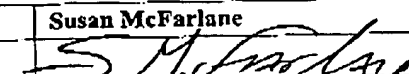
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